

**In the specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0001] on page 1, with the following paragraph:

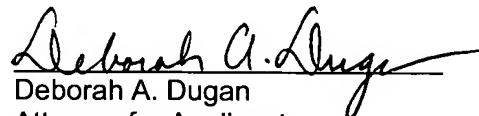
The present application is a continuation of Serial No. 09/663,516 filed on September 15, 2000 which claims priority under 35 U. S. C. § 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/080,037, filed March 30, 1999, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference into the present disclosure.

**Summary:**

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this communication.  
However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 07-1074.

Respectfully submitted,

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